Earlier today, Congressman Pence and the American Energy Solutions Group introduced the **American Energy Act**

, which would "increase our energy supply through an 'all of the above' energy policy, instead of trying to depress demand through government control."

Politico reported that

Republicans stressed that their plan remained focused on energy, not climate, stressing that the party remained unconvinced about the science of global warming- even in the face of much scientific evidence of changing temperature.

"There is a serious debate in the scientific community about whether climate change is a result of human activity," said Rep. Mike Pence.

The New York Times noted that the bill had a focus on nuclear power and quoted Congressman Pence

"This is an alternative that takes us in the direction of energy independence and a clean environment without the national energy tax being offered by the Democrats," Mr. Pence said.

At forums around the country, he said, people expressed a desire for more energy from domestic sources and concern about rising fuel prices. "A minority in Congress plus the American people equals a majority," he said.

And the *Associated Press* noted the distinction between the approach of the AESG and the approach of others who are supporting the national energy tax legislation:

"You have a conflict of visions between the Democratic approach and the Republican alternative. It is a difference between the carrot and the stick," said Rep. Mike Pence, R-Ind., who chaired the Republican task force charged with developing the legislation, which will be introduced this week.

Congressman Pence also appeared on *CNBC*'s "Kudlow Report" to discuss the American Energy Act: